

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

United States of America,

Plaintiff,

v.

Arie Nelson,

Defendant.

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Case:4:22-cr-20530  
Judge: Kumar, Shalina D.  
MJ: Ivy, Curtis  
Filed: 10-19-2022 At 01:01 PM  
IN RE: SEALED MATTER (sk)

Violations:  
18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A)  
21 U.S.C. § 841(a)(1)  
18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1)

**INDICTMENT**

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

**Count One**

**18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A)**

**Possession of a Firearm in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime**

1. On or about September 29, 2021, in the Eastern District of Michigan, Defendant, Arie Nelson, knowingly and unlawfully possessed a firearm, that is, a Springfield Armory, XD-10, semi-automatic pistol, and a Ruger-5.7, 5.7x28 mm caliber, semi-automatic pistol, in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime, for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, that is, possession with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine, as alleged in Count Two of this Indictment.

All in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1)(A).

**Count Two**  
**21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(B)(ii)(II)**  
**Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine**

2. On or about September 29, 2021, in the Eastern District of Michigan, Defendant, Arie Nelson, knowingly and unlawfully possessed with the intent to distribute 500 grams or more of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine, a Schedule II controlled substance.

All in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(B)(ii)(II).

**Count Three**  
**18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1)**  
**Felon in Possession of a Firearm**

3. On or about September 29, 2021, in the Eastern District of Michigan, defendant, Arie Nelson, after having been convicted of a crime punishable by a term of imprisonment exceeding one year, a felony offense, and knowing that he had been previously convicted of a crime punishable by a term of imprisonment exceeding one year, knowingly and unlawfully possessed, in and affecting interstate commerce, a firearm, that is, a Springfield Armory, XD-10, semi-automatic pistol, and a Ruger-5.7, 5.7x28 mm caliber, semi-automatic pistol.

All in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1).

**FORFEITURE ALLEGATION**

4. Pursuant to Fed. R. Cr. P. 32.2(a), the government hereby provides notice to the defendant of its intention to seek forfeiture of all proceeds, direct or indirect, or property traceable thereto, all property that facilitated the commission of the violations alleged, or property traceable thereto, and all property involved in, or property traceable thereto, of the violations set for in this Indictment, including but not limited to a Springfield Armory, XD-10, semi-automatic pistol, s/n: AT224026, and a Ruger-5.7, 5.7x28 mm caliber, semi-automatic pistol, s/n: 64185397, and ammunition.

5. Substitute Assets: If the property described above as being subject to forfeiture, as a result of any act or omission of defendant:

- a. Cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. Has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
- c. Has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the Court;
- d. Has been substantially diminished in value; or
- e. Has been commingled with other property that cannot be divided without difficulty;

the United States of America shall be entitled to forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

THIS IS A TRUE BILL  
s/GRAND JURY FOREPERSON  
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Dated: 10/19/2022

United States District Court Eastern District of Michigan	Criminal Case Cover Sheet	Case Number:
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This may be a companion case based on LCrR 57.10(b)(4) <sup>1</sup> :	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<b>AUSA's Initials: BL</b>

**Case Title:** USA v. Arie Nelson

**County where offense occurred:** Genesee

**Offense Type:** Felony

### Superseding Case Information

**Superseding to Case No:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Judge:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Reason:**

**Defendant Name**

**Charges**

**Prior Complaint (if applicable)**

**Please take notice that the below listed Assistant United States Attorney is the attorney of record for the above captioned case**

October 19, 2022

Date

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<sup>1</sup> Companion cases are matters in which it appears that (1) substantially similar evidence will be offered at trial, or (2) the same or related parties are present, and the cases arise out of the same transaction or occurrence. Cases may be companion cases even though one of them may have already been terminated.